## A New Provision of the Missouri Statute 302.021

A person commits the crime of motorcycle passenger prohibition if such person fails to comply with the following:

- 1) A properly licensed Missouri operator of a motorcycle as defined by Missouri law shall not be allowed to have a passenger on his/her motorcycle until after the operator reaches the age of 21.
- 2) Once the properly licensed motorcycle operator reaches the age of 21, he or she shall also be required to attend and successfully complete a motorcycle rider-safety class which is approved by the License Bureau of the Missouri Department of Revenue.
- 3) The first violation of this offense is a Class C Misdemeanor unless the actor has previously been convicted of this offense, in which case it is a Class B Misdemeanor, unless the actor has previously been convicted twice of this offense, in which case it is a Class A Misdemeanor.
- 4) A person who is convicted of violating this statute will have committed a moving violation and shall have 3 points assessed against his/her Missouri operator's license.
- 5) If the properly licensed Missouri operator of a motorcycle has maintained a motorcycle license for at least the previous 2 years and was born in 1984 or prior, he or she is not required to complete a motorcycle rider-safety class to have a passenger.

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